

DC-37 LOCAL 1359 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES February 08, 2011

PRESENT: See sign-in sheet.

A quorum was present.

President, Dennis Ifill called to order Local 1359 General Membership Meeting on February 8, 2011 at 6:pm, Gertz Plaza, 6th floor cafeteria.

A motion was made to accept January 11, 2011 General Membership Minutes by Charmaine McArthur and seconded by Stacey Payton. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report for January 31, 2011 by John Lafferty and seconded by Stacey Payton. The motion was unanimously approved.

Members of Winston Financial Services, Inc. presentation on "Voluntary Insurance Programs" was successful. The next meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2011.

Drug co-pay reimbursement: Members will receive drug co-pay reimbursement information in their mail at home. To qualify for the reimbursement, members must spend over \$150.00 to receive up to \$100.00.

January 27, 2011 was added to our request with December 27, 2010 for snow days. We are awaiting the decision from the Dept of Civil Service.

AFSCME Lobby Day is scheduled for March 1, 2011. All members are encouraged to attend.

Governor Cuomo has submitted his budget and is asking the Unions for concessions, if not, lay-offs will be instituted. The Governor has proposed to consolidate eleven (11) state agencies into four (4) agencies.

DC 37 Treasurer's Workshop is scheduled for March 26, 29 and 30, 2011. See hand-out for further information. All members are encouraged to attend the workshops.

DC 37 Political Action Black History celebration will be held on February 10, 2011 - see DC 37 Black History calendar for more information.

DC 37 Caribbean Heritage Committee celebrates "Women's History Month". See hand-out for more information. All members are encouraged to attend.

Local 1359 members signed petitions in support of the re-opening of OTB hearings.

Local 1359 members are encouraged to read ASFCME Fact Sheets and share the information.

Nominations for Local 1359 Officers will be held at the next General Membership meeting, March 8, 2011.

After elections are completed, the contract negotiation team will be selected.

AFSCME Women's Conference - A motion was made by President Ifill not to send members to the conference due to Local 1359's financial status. The motion was seconded by John Lafferty. Discussions followed. The motion was unanimously approved.

JP Morgan Chase Corporate Road Runners - a formal request must be made to the executive board.

Several hand-outs were distributed to members.

Charmaine McArthur thanked Local 1359 for the contribution of \$200.00 for the Black History celebrations. The event will be held at NYHomes, 641 Lexington Ave, NY, NY on February 17, 2011 from 11am - 1:00pm. Supervisory approval is required.

Motion to adjourn made by Stacey Payton and seconded by Cheryl King.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.

M. Chapman
Secretary
DC 37 Local 1359